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1. [REDACTED] THE MILITARY JUNTA  
PLANS TO ESTABLISH MILITARY TRIBUNALS THROUGH WHICH THE MILITARY  
CODE OF JUSTICE WILL BE APPLIED TO THE DETAINED MEMBERS OF THE  
POPULAR UNITY (U.P.) GOVERNMENT. PENALTIES ARE TO INCLUDE  
SENTENCES OF FROM FIVE YEARS OF IMPRISONMENT TO DEATH OR, IN

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CERTAIN INSTANCES. DEPORTATION OR EXILE. THE JUNTA INTENDS TO APPLY THE MAXIMUM PUNISHMENT TO MARXISTS IN AN EFFORT TO REDUCE THE POSSIBILITY OF THEIR RETURN TO POWER FOR MANY YEARS TO COME. [REDACTED] THE JUNTA FEELS THAT IF IT WERE TO ACT WITH TOO MUCH LENIENCY IT WOULD RUN THE RISK OF SEEING THE RESURGENCE OF MARXIST EXTREMISM IN CHILE WITHIN SIX YEARS.

2. [REDACTED] JUNIOR AND MIDDLE GRADE OFFICERS ARE PRESSURING SENIOR MILITARY OFFICERS TO HAVE RETIRED GENERAL CARLOS P R A T S TRIED BEFORE A COURT MARTIAL FOR ALLEGEDLY HAVING PERMITTED THE FORMATION OF A STRONGLY ARMED "POPULAR ARMY" WHILE HE WAS COMMANDER IN CHIEF OF THE ARMY.

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[REDACTED], IN ORDER TO AVOID THE PUBLICATION OF FALSE INFORMATION ABROAD REGARDING THE COUP THE JUNTA HAS ORDERED THE CENSURING OF THE INFORMATION FLOWING TO FOREIGN COUNTRIES FROM ALL PRESS AGENCIES. IN ADDITION, THEY INTEND TO PUBLISH A "WHITE BOOK" TO ILLUSTRATE TO FOREIGN ENTITIES THAT THE COUP WAS A PATRIOTIC ACTION ON THE PART OF THE ARMED FORCES OF CHILE TO SAVE THE COUNTRY AND WAS NOT JUST ANOTHER MILITARY COUP BY A LATIN AMERICAN MILITARY FORCE

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OF SUCH PROBLEMS AS THE DROP OFF IN INDUSTRIAL AND AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION, AND THE GROWING NEED TO IMPORT FOODSTUFFS FROM ABROAD.

5. FURTHERMORE, [REDACTED] THE JUNTA WILL ANNOUNCE THE REORGANIZATION OF THE STATE TELEVISION SYSTEM, THE JUNTA, [REDACTED], HAS DECIDED NOT TO GRANT TELEVISION RIGHTS TO THE TECHNICAL UNIVERSITY OF CHILE (UTE). THE JUNTA ALSO PLANS TO BRING CHILE FILMS UNDER GOVERNMENT CONTROL. IN ADDITION, A REGULATORY COMMISSION IS TO BE FORMED FOR PROPAGANDA AND PUBLICITY.

6. [REDACTED]

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